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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed June 27, 2005, Applicants provide the following remarks and amendments. A petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 3 of this paper.

A Listing of Claims begins on page 4 of this paper.

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